but the prices of finished medicines based on those drugs have been increased along with earlier price, increased price and percentage increase in each case;

(c) what is the justification of price increase in each case;

(d) whether his Ministry has brought any medicine under price control; and

(e) if not, what is the purpose of effective monitoring the prices of price decontrolled medicines and having the power to bring back price decontrolled medicines under price control?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c) and (e) As per the provisions of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987, manufacturers of Non-Scheduled formulations are free to revise the prices. However, Government is empowered to bring within price-control any price-decontrolled drug should it be considered necessary to do so.

(d) No, Sir.

Prices of decontrolled bulk drugs

69. DR RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the producers of price decontrolled bulk drugs have increased the prices after the announcement of DPCO, 1987;

(b) if so, what are the names of bulk drugs along with the earlier price, present price and percentage increase in each case;

(c) whether it is a fact that all these bulk drugs were under price control under DPCO, 1979;

(d) if so, what was the price fixed under DPCO, 1979 along with the rate of price fixation;

(e) what are the names of producers of each bulk drug along with the production of each during the last three years, year-wise; and

(f) what is the licensed/registered capacity of each along with the stage of manufacture permitted in each case?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Some instances of price increase of decontrolled bulk drugs have come to the notice of Government.

(b) The manufacturers of non-scheduled bulk drugs may revise their prices as per the provisions of DPCO 1987. A list of bulk drugs for which prices have gone up after announcement of DPCO is given in reply to Unstarred Question No. 641 dated 29-2-1988.

(c) Some of these non-scheduled bulk drugs were previously under price control.

(d) A list of non-scheduled bulk drugs for which prices were fixed under DPCO, 1979 is given in the enclosed statement with their current price. (*See* below)

(e) and (f) This department is monitoring the production of 87 bulk drugs only. The details required in the question are quite voluminous and are not readily available. The time and effort required for collection of these will not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of drug	Unit	Price fixed under DPCO'79	Current Price
1	2	3	4	5
			(Rs.)	(Rs.)
1.	Vitamin A Acetate, Dry Power 0.5 MIU/gm	1000 miu	1297.86	2100.00
2.	Vitamin A Pal. 1 miu/gm.	1000 miu	990.55	1300.00
3.	Vitamin A Palmitate 1.7 miu/gm.	1000 miu	1020.67	1300.00
4.	Vitamin B1 Hcl. (Oral)	Kg.	950.00	1132.00
5.	Vitamin B1 Hcl. (Amp)	Kg.	1005.00	1176.00
6.	Vitamin B1 (Mono)	Kg.	1011.50	1228.00
7.	Vitamin B2	Kg.	1820.00 (pooled price)	2574.72
8.	Vitamin B6	Kg.	1200.00	1571.00
9.	Vitamin B12 (Cyno)	Kg.	156.00	220.00
10.	Vitamin B12 (Hydroxy)	Kg.	221.00	350.00
11.	Vitamin C	Kg.	219.50 (Ambalal Sarabhai Ltd)	320.00
12.	Vitamin D3	gm.	25.65	35.05
13.	Vitamin E	Kg.	552.01	730.00
14.	Folic Acid	Kg.	2631.62	3241.04
15.	Niacinamide	Kg.	157.00	190.00
16.	Prednisone	Kg.	30033.00	35000.00
17.	Caffine	Kg.	241.00	275.00
18.	Dithen Hydramine Hcl.	Kg.	229.78	422.35
19.	Calcim Lactate	Kg.	13.85 (17.72)	28.75
20.	Propranolol Hcl.	Kg.	2415.00	3858.89
21.	Chlorpropamide	Kg.	169.81	297.17
22.	Calcium Lactobionate (oral)	Kg.	34.00	90.00
23.	Calcium Lactobionate (Amp)	Kg.	61.94	150.00
24.	Dextrose	Kg.	13.00	18.00
25.	Ferrous Gluconate.	Kg.	44.50	60.00
26.	Nikethamide	Kg.	263.66	263.66
27.	Sulfamoxol	Kg.	235.23	583.14

1	2	3	4	5
28.	Tetmasol	Kg.	166.56	497.57
29.	Clofibrate	Kg.	223.76	880.19
30.	Emitine Di-Hcl.	Kg.	11867.62	35000.00
31.	Magnesium Hydroxy Cake . . .	Kg.	7.47	16.49
32.	Magnesium Hydroxy Gr.	Kg.	26.66	70.90

Price control on Menthol

70. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2689 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st March, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Menthol is under price control;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Kelkar Committee recommended for price control of finished medicines based on any of price controlled drug;

(c) if so, how prices of Dilosyn Expectorant has been increased without the approval of his Ministry;

(d) what are the basis on which this product has been taken as price decontrolled by the company;

(e) whether it is a fact that his Ministry as well as Kelkar Committee received representations for inclusion of main drugs of these formulations under price control due to non-fulfilment of exclusion criteria; and

(f) if so, what are the details of representations and action taken on each?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (d) Dilosyn Expectorant has been categorised as a Non-Scheduled formulation as per the provisions of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987 and the guidelines issued on 9th December, 1987. However, M/s. Glindia Labs., the producer of these formulations have reduced the price at Government's intervention.

(e) No such specific representation has been received.

(f) Does not arise.

Bulk drugs for Suganril tablets

71. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2688 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st March, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the names of bulk drugs based on which Suganril tablets, Esgipyrin tablets, Actified tablets and Neosporin range of formulations are being manufactured along with the name of each manufacturer;

(b) whether it is a fact that the manufacturers of these medicines have foreign equity;

(c) if so, what is the percentage in each case;

(d) whether these bulk drugs are produced in the country;

(e) if so, names of producers of each drug, licensed and installed